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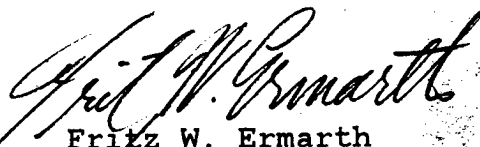
Lieutenant General Leonard H. Perroots  
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency  
The Pentagon  
Washington, DC 20340

Dear General Perroots:

I want to commend [ ] one of your finest intelligence officers, for his outstanding contributions to the preparation and publication of the Interagency Intelligence Memorandum on Soviet Strategic Offensive Land-Based Mobile Missile Programs, recently published by the National Intelligence Officer for Strategic Programs. [ ] ground-breaking analysis on strategic mobile missiles made him the obvious choice for Manager and Principal Drafter of this first-ever undertaking by the Intelligence Community to document the state of our knowledge about this critical intelligence problem. His total command of the subject matter--ranging from force structure issues to operational analysis to targeting implications--and his unique ability to develop creative analytical methodologies in compensation for gaps in data have resulted in a National Intelligence product of the highest quality, and of particular relevance in light of current arms control developments.

Prior to his reassignment in May 1987 to head the Relocatable Targets Program Office within your Directorate for Research, [ ] managed the Memorandum, including selection of chapter drafters and running of coordination sessions, and also was responsible for drafting more than 50 percent of the document. I understand that [ ] has recently received a promotion in his new capacity, unquestionably well-deserved in view of the major impact he has had on the Intelligence Community's approach to analyzing the mobile missile problem. Please convey to [ ] my thanks for an outstanding job. He brings great credit to the Defense Intelligence Agency and the intelligence profession.

Sincerely,



Fritz W. Ermarth  
Chairman, National Intelligence Council

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